109TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION

S. RES. 426

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

APRIL 5, 2006

Mr. Specter (for himself and Mr. Feingold) submitted the following resolution; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

RESOLUTION

Supporting the goals and ideals of National Campus Safety Awareness Month.

- Whereas students and faculty on college and university campuses are subject to criminal threats from—
 - (1) within the borders of their respective institutions; and
 - (2) the communities in which their respective institutions are located;
- Whereas, between 2001 and 2003, 84 homicides, 7,941 sex offenses, 9,296 aggravated assaults, and 3,367 arsons on the campuses of colleges and universities in the United States were reported under the Jeanne Clery Disclosure of Campus Security Policy and Campus Crime Statistics Act (20 U.S.C. 1092(f));

- Whereas between ½ and ¼ of all female students become the victim of a completed or attempted rape, usually by someone they know, during their college careers;
- Whereas more than 97,000 students between the ages of 18 and 24 are victims of alcohol-related sexual assaults each year;
- Whereas, each year, more than 696,000 students between the ages of 18 and 24 are assaulted by another student who has been drinking;
- Whereas 1,700 college students between the ages of 18 and 24 die each year from alcohol-related unintentional injuries, including motor vehicle crashes;
- Whereas, according to the Center for Campus Fire Safety, there were 82 fire fatalities in student housing buildings between January 2000 and January 2006;
- Whereas Security On Campus, Inc., a national group dedicated to promoting safety and security on college and university campuses, has designated September 2006 as "National Campus Safety Awareness Month"; and
- Whereas the designation of National Campus Safety Awareness Month provides an opportunity to colleges and universities to inform students about—
 - (1) existing campus crime trends;
 - (2) campus security policies;
 - (3) crime prevention techniques;
 - (4) fire safety issues; and
 - (5) alcohol and other drug education, prevention, and treatment programs: Now, therefore, be it
 - 1 Resolved, That the Senate—

1	(1) supports the goals and ideals of National
2	Campus Safety Awareness Month; and
3	(2) encourages students who are enrolled in col-
4	leges and universities to participate in events and
5	awareness initiatives held during the month of Sep-
6	tember.

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